* Abstract

Disclosed are dye mixtures for shading white paper which may contain fluorescent brightener. The dye mixtures comprise a violet dye according to the formula (1) or (2) indicated in claim 1 and sufficient of a red, blue or further violet anionic azo dye that this dye mixture is capable of producing in the Cielab colour co-ordinates system a relative hue angle of 270 to 295° when the dyeing contains 0.00005 to 0.005% by weight of dye, based on the weight of the paper, with the proviso that the value 0.005% is excluded.